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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Restriction, dated 19 June 2007, Applicants herewith elect the invention of Group III (claims 16-18 and 28-30), drawn to a method for detecting the cancerous status of a cell or a method of detecting cancer or a predisposition toward developing cancer via a sample from a cell. As to species, Applicants further elect the species of SEQ ID NO: 1 (from species Group 1) and SEQ ID NO: 7 (from species Group 2).

In addition, Applicants request that the application be amended as follows: